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Dear Joshua:

Thank you for your letter of April 27. As you know, our letters crossed in the mail.

In the letter in which I asked you to send me cultures originally, I had requested that a <u>Het</u> culture such as H-226 also be sent to me. This was a line or two later than my request for W-1177 and 58-161, so I could understand how it was overlooked. I would very much like to have one of the <u>Het</u> cultures and I will let you choose the specific one.

It looks more and more as if we are not dealing with a diploid. Hence, it would be very helpful to contrast our presumed diploid with a known diploid.

With best regards to you both, I am,

Very truly yours,

lax R. Zelle

Professor of Bacteriology

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